

**SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT (SDWA)**

R6-9-12. Inspections and Information Gathering

1. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act, including Section 1445, and implementing regulations:
  - a. To perform the duties and responsibilities relative to reviewing records and conducting inspections.
  - b. To obtain and execute warrants for the purpose of performing an inspection or conducting information gathering.
  - c. To carry out any other inspection and information gathering activities authorized by SDWA.
  - d. To require the carrying out of any other inspection and information gathering activities authorized by the SDWA.
  - e. To designate representatives of the Administrator to perform the functions specified in paragraphs 1.a, 1.b, 1.c, and 1.d., except that only the Division Director may request warrants.
2. **TO WHOM DELEGATED.** The Director, Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division.
3. **LIMITATIONS.** The delegatee of the Regional Administrator must consult with the Regional Counsel, or designee, prior to requesting warrants.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
  - a. The authority in 1.a and 1.c may be redelegated to the staff level.
  - b. The authority in 1.d may be redelegated to the branch chief level or equivalent, and no further.
  - c. This authority may be further redelegated with the concurrence of the Regional Administrator.
  - d. An official who redelegates an authority does not divest himself of the power to exercise this authority, and an official who redelegates authority may revoke such redelegation at any time.

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**5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**

- a. Section 1445 of SDWA.
  - b. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Order 3510, "EPA Federal Credentials for Inspections and Enforcement of Federal Environmental Statutes and Other Compliance Responsibilities."
  - c. 40 CFR Parts 144, 146 and 147.
6. **SUPERSESSION.** This Regional Order supersedes Regional Order R6-9-12, dated August 7, 1995.



THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Delegations of Authority

**FROM:** Gina McCarthy

**TO:** Matthew Fritz, Chief of Staff

On Wednesday, January 18, 2017, I signed a number of revisions to EPA Delegations of Authority. In anticipation of my signature on the revised delegations, and to make certain that there were no lapses in authority, many Regional Administrators and Assistant Administrators signed revised re-delegations consistent with my revisions on January 17, 2017. I hereby accept and ratify any such re-delegations as appropriate re-delegations of authority until otherwise revised or revoked. To the extent that any actions taken under the delegated or re-delegated authority described herein may require ratification, such action is hereby approved and ratified.